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"I have not yet begun to fight!"



PRESIDENT SAYS MIDEAST DEAL 'WITHIN VIEW'

By Elaine Sciolino

President Clinton said that a historic peace agreement between the Israelis and Palestinians was "within view now," and he urged both sides to make whatever compromises were needed to reach an agreement.

In remarks after a 90-minute meeting with Israel's prime minister, Ehud Barak, Mr. Clinton also announced that he was sending Secretary of State Madeleine Albright to the Middle East next week in an effort to "work with both leaders on narrowing the gaps" between them. And he said that he would meet soon with the Palestinians' leader, Yasir Arafat, in Washington.

Mr. Clinton is also prepared to convene a three-way Camp David-style summit meeting in Washington with Barak and Arafat, a senior administration official said. But before that could happen, both sides would have to make substantial progress, the official said.

"Both leaders know from me and they know from their own experience that they now have to be prepared to make an intense effort and to do things that they have not done in the past with real courage and vision if we're actually going to get a framework agreement that deals with the outstanding issues," said Mr. Clinton, who met with Barak in Lisbon, Portugal, before heading to Berlin for the second

leg of a weeklong trip that is to be his last visit to Europe as president.

The president's remarks underscored his frustration that the Israelis and Palestinians have not made more progress toward completing a final peace accord by their self-imposed deadline of Sept. 13. The agreement is supposed to settle issues that have been unresolvable for decades: the size and shape of a Palestinian state, the future of Jerusalem and the fate of Palestinian refugees.



DK2 (select) Ryan Carvajal enters a service members pay information into the computer. For Disbursing's office hours, see page 7. (Photo by JO3 Laura C. Wiggins.)

NATIONAL NEWS

DUAL-FUEL CARS EXPLOIT AN INDUSTRY LOOPHOLE

By Keith Bradsher

A soon-to-be-released government report shows a slight increase in the fuel economy of family vehicles in the 2000 model year. But the rise is mostly thanks to a loophole that gives carmakers extra mileage credit for vehicles that can run on ethanol, even though virtually no one uses that fuel.

Ethanol is sold by only 108 of the nation's 178,000 service stations. Nonetheless, General Motors, Ford Motor and DaimlerChrysler are producing roughly 750,000 dual-fuel mini-vans, small pickup trucks and cars this year at an extra cost of up to \$300 each.

These vehicles are counted by the government as getting roughly triple the gas mileage that they actually achieve, allowing manufacturers to sell more full-sized sport utilities and pickups while still meeting federal standards for average fuel economy.

The government report, produced

by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, calculated that the average fuel economy for all new family vehicles sold in the 2000 model year would be 24.7 miles per gallon, after including the special treatment of dual-fuel vehicles. That is up slightly from 24.5 in the 1999 model year and the same as in the 1998 model year, but still well below a peak of 26.2 miles per gallon in the 1987 model year.

Environmentalists have long been
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STOCK MARKET

Nasdaq composite index surged 181.59 points, to 3,582.50. The Standard & Poors 500-stock index also posted a gain, up 28.21 points, or 2 percent, to 1,448.81, while the Dow Jones industrial average climbed 129.97 points, or 1.2 percent, to 10,652.20.

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SUNDAY'S STE TV SCHEDULE

CHANNEL 2

1030 THE TEN COMMANDMENTS
1630 OFFICE SPACE
1800 ER
1900 XO MANIA
2000 CASABLANCA
2200 MYSTERY MEN

CHANNEL 6

1030 SPIN CITY
1100 OPERATION CONDOR
1630 A LOVE LETTER
1800 SISTER, SISTER
1830 SABRINA
1900 XO MANIA
2000 END OF DAYS
2200 THE INSIDER

TV SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE
DUE TO OPERATIONAL COMMITMENTS

NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL NEWS

COURT SUPPORTS INS IN DECISION ON ELIAN

By Rick Bragg

A federal appellate panel upheld the right of immigration officials to let Elian Gonzalez's father take the boy back to Cuba.

A three-judge panel of the 11th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals in Atlanta ruled unanimously that the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) had the power to decide that only a parent can act for such a young child in immigration proceedings.

The decision let Juan Miguel Gonzalez move a step closer to taking his son home, though the panel barred Elian from leaving the United States for at least

21 days to give his Miami relatives, who had sought asylum for the boy, time to appeal the decision.

The ruling is seen as a solid defeat for the relatives who took him in after a failed crossing from Cuba drowned his mother and 10 others and left the boy floating on an inner tube off the Florida coast on Thanksgiving Day. They remained angry and defiant. In Miami's Little Havana section, where Elian had become an icon, there was anger, but the city was quiet.

Elian's father was elated. "I want to thank the American people," Gonzalez told reporters in Washington, where he and his son are staying. "I hope we can finally go home." The judges said that while they might make the opposite decision, the law gave wide discretion to the immigration service in such cases and the powers of the executive branch should be respected.

"This case, at first sight, seems to be about little more than a child and his father," the panel wrote in its decision. "But, for this court, the case is mainly about the separation of powers under our constitutional system of government."

Attorney General Janet Reno said, "This is a very important step in achieving the goal we have sought from the very beginning, to give Juan Miguel and his family the opportunity to return to a life together."

CONGRATULATIONS ENLISTED AVIATION WARFARE SPECIALIST

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skeptical of ethanol, mainly because there have been conflicting studies on whether it takes more fossil fuels to grow corn and turn it into ethanol than would be burned by gasoline-powered vehicles. Oil companies do not like to sell ethanol because it is so corrosive that it cannot be shipped in steel pipelines, requiring costly trucks, barges and rail cars instead, said John Felmy, the director of policy and statistics at the American Petroleum Institute in Washington.



Revolutionary Gator Of The Day



Airman Martha N. Howard

Air Department,

V-4 Division

Hometown: Carmel, Indiana

Qualification: Filter Operator

A very energetic and enthusiastic individual who constantly strives to better herself. Was a major player in the rehab of JP-5 pumproom number two painting and stenciling of all pipes and valves. During Underway Replenishments, she is a Tank Sounder and has been instrumental in brining onboard 190,156 gallons of JP-5 without incident. She recently qualified as Filter Operator.

SPORTS

DALLAS STARS EVEN SERIES 1-1

By Joe Lapointe

Brett Hull scored the goal that won the Stanley Cup for the Dallas Stars last season, and he leads the tournament this season with 11. A veteran who has proved he is more than just a star scorer, Hull retains the finishing touch to break open a game, and close one, too.

He scored on the Stars' first shot in the first period against the Devils and he scored on their last shot, with 3 minutes 16 seconds remaining. They were enough to give the Stars a 2-1 victory and tie the four-of-seven-game Stanley Cup finals at one game apiece.

Hull's winning goal came on a play that formed on the left-wing side. Mike Modano pushed the puck past Brian Rafalski on the Devils' defense. Jere Lehtinen shot it toward goalie Martin Brodeur in the Devils' net, and Hull, forcing himself ahead of Scott Stevens, redirected the path of the puck.

KANSAS CITY 13, BOSTON 11

By Associated Press

Dave McCarty capped a wild game with his fourth hit, a two-run triple in the eighth inning, as Kansas City had its best offensive game of the season. The Royals, who trailed 8-2 after five innings, rallied with nine runs in a crazy sixth inning that saw the teams combine for 12 runs, 12 hits and four walks as 22 batters faced 78 pitches. Kansas City scored the winning runs when, with Carlos Beltran at first and two outs, Joe Randa singled and McCarty tripled.

OTHER

AL SCORES:

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Tampa Bay 2	Baltimore 1

YOUR LIFE IS IN YOUR HANDS

Are you doing monthly self-testicle exams?



The leading cancer in young men is testicular cancer which is a very fast and deadly cancer. Be sure to do a self-exam monthly. It's worth your life!

HOW TO DO SELF EXAM

Examine each testicle gently with both hands.

The index and middle fingers should be placed underneath the testicle while the thumbs are placed on the top.

Roll the testicle gently between the thumbs and fingers.

One testicle may be larger than the other. This is normal.

The epididymis is a cord-like structure on the top and back of the testicle that stores and transports the sperm.

Do not confuse the epididymis with an abnormal lump.

Feel for any abnormal lumps (about the size of a pea) on the front or the side of the testicle.

These lumps are usually painless.

SAFETY ALWAYS COMES FIRST...EVEN ON LIBERTY

The following items are excerpts from the Naval Safety Center's "Summary of Mishaps For May 2000" message.

A Sailor, visiting her boyfriend's apartment, fell two stories off his balcony and broke her back. Maybe she should have met him at the movies.

South of the border, a Marine was having a smoke on the balcony of his hotel when he slipped and fell five stories to the pavement. He was delivered by local ambulance to the border then transferred to the Naval Hospital. He was diagnosed with a baseline skull fracture, four broken ribs and a badly bruised kidney. Ole'!

After a visit to the dentist's during which he lost all his wisdom teeth, a Marine was given a prescription for some heavy-duty painkillers to keep the agony under control. Ignoring the labels on the bottle warning of drowsiness and to avoid alcohol, this guy starts partying with his pals on the balcony of the barracks. Later on in the evening he sets his wobbly self on the railing, goes over the side two stories to the pavement and nearly dies from a major skull fracture with inter-cranial bleeding. Party on, Dude!

More than a year after landing on his head in a fall from the third story balcony of his apartment, a Sailor is still in neurological rehabilitation. While he can talk, his thoughts are muddled and confused; he's barely lucid. Doctors will only call the surgery to repair his broken back a "qualified" success. His future looks bleak.

After a long night of drinking, a Lance Corporal sporting a 0.25 Blood Alcohol Content decides he needs to smoke. So, to keep from setting off the smoke alarm and avoid stinking up the BEQ room of the Sailors he's visiting, he opens, then sits on the ledge of their window. After he stubs out his cigarette, he stands up on the ledge, steps forward, and crashes to the ground two floors below. Doctors aren't sure this guy will ever walk right again. It took five pegs and two pins to get the several pieces of his fractured leg into some semblance of a straight line.

Anyway, you get the picture. There seems to be this weird moth/flame magnetism between drunken Sailors and Marines and window ledges and balcony railings. The result of this magnetism is most often crippling injuries or death. One has to hope that given similar circumstances, there will be somebody in the crowd either smart or sober enough to say, "Get off the balcony," "Get back in here," "Shut that door," or "Close that window." One has to hope.

THINK WHEN YOU



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IMPORTANT HOURS OF OPERATION

Library Hours of Operation:

Monday through Saturdays: 0900 to 2100

Sundays: 1500 to 2100

The Library always closes during all major drills such as General Quarters and Man Overboard.

Ship's Company Personnel Office Customer Service Hours:

Inport: 0800 to 1130 and 1330 to 1400

Underway: 0800 to 1100 and 1400 to 1600

Disbursing Office Hours:

Inport:

Monday through Friday - 0830 to 1100 & 1300 to 1400

Closed Saturday, Sunday and holidays

Underway:

Monday through Saturday - 0830 to 1100 & 1300 to 1500

Closed Sunday and holidays

Ship's Laundry Hours

Underway:

Monday-Saturday 0730-2000

Sunday- Closed

Crew's Barbershop Hours:

Underway:

0800-1100, 1300-1500, 1800-2000

Inport: 0900-1100

Officer's Barbershop Hours:

Underway

0800-1100, 1300-1500, 1800-2000

Self-Serve Laundry Hours

Underway: 2300 Last Load

Green: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
0600-2400

Blue: Wednesday, Friday, Sunday
0600-2400

Monday- Closed for Maintenance

Ship's Store Hours

Underway:

Monday through Saturday 0900 to 2000

Sunday 1200 to 1500

In port:

Monday through Friday 0900 to 1100

Gym Operating Hours

0400-0430 CLEAN UP

0430-0700 KHAKI ONLY

0700-1000 GREEN

1000-1300 BLUE

1300-1545 GREEN

1545-1615 CLEAN UP

1615-1900 BLUE

1900-0400 OPEN TO ALL HANDS